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1904

Samuel Ludlum House
Ocean City
Private

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Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Survey No. WO-330

Magi No.

DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic SAMUEL LUDLAM HOUSE

and/or common ESPOSITO COTTAGE

2. Location

street & number 806 South Baltimore Avenue ☐ not for publication

city, town Ocean City ☐ vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Worcester

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational <input type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment <input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government <input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial <input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military <input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Mrs. Ida Esposito

street & number 806 South Baltimore Avenue telephone no.: 289-7928

city, town Ocean City state and zip code MD 21842

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Worcester County Clerk of Court liber

street & number Worcester County Courthouse folio

city, town Snow Hill state MD 21863

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

pository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Survey No. W0-330

Condition

☐ excellent
☐ good
☒ fair

☐ deteriorated
☐ ruins
☐ unexposed

Check one

☐ unaltered
☒ altered

Check one

☒ original site
☐ moved date of move _____

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Samuel Ludlum house, known currently as the Eposito Cottage, is a two-story, ell-shaped frame dwelling that stands on the southwest corner of the intersection of South First Street and Baltimore Avenue in the south end of Ocean City, Worcester County, Maryland.

Reported to have been erected in 1904, the two-story gable front frame dwelling is supported by a low masonry foundation, and the building is covered by a medium pitched asphalt shingle roof. The exterior walls are sheathed with a combination of plain weatherboards and fish-scale shingles. Later additions and infill structures have been added north, south, and west side of the early twentieth century structure.

The east (main) elevation is a two-story gable front facade with a side entrance and a flanking picture window. Sheltering the first and second floors is a shed roofed, square post porch. Access to the second floor is gained by a side entrance. A single-pane sash window flanks the second floor door. Piercing the upper gable end are paired single-pane sash windows that retain louvered shutters. The wall surface flanking the windows is covered with fishscale shingles. The eaves are slightly extended.

The south side of the ell-shaped house was formerly dominated by the projecting leg of the dwelling, however infill sections on both sides have obscured the original shape of the structure. In addition a two-story porch stretches across the entire south side.

A small single story addition has been added to the north side.

The interior was not seen.

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates	Builder/Architect
check: Applicable Criteria: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D and/or Applicable Exception: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/> E <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> G	
Level of Significance: <input type="checkbox"/> national <input type="checkbox"/> state <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> local	

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

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9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. W0-330

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

Quadrangle scale _____

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

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state	code	county	code
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11. Form Prepared By

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HISTORIC CONTEXT INFORMATION

Resource Name: Samuel Ludlum House

MHT Inventory Number: WU- ~~225~~ 330

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA:

1) Historic Period Theme(s):

Architecture

2) Geographic Orientation:

Eastern Shore

3) Chronological/Developmental Period(s):

Industrial/Urban Dominance
(1870-1930)

4) Resource Type(s):

Single-Family Dwelling

1897 SANBORN INSURANCE MAP

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